

000,000 to nearly 14,000,000 of gallons. By an examination of the import table in the treasury office, it is ascertained that out of the 13,000,000 imported during the last year, more than 11,000,000 were carried into ports east of the port of New York not including the latter port. It would hardly seem probable, that the quantity consumed in the domestic way, in this section of the Union, could so far exceed the consumption of other sections of the country, where sugar and molasses are not manufactured, as this proportion would indicate, and therefore it is presumed, that much of the molasses taken into our eastern ports, is used for distillation. This conclusion is rendered still more natural, when it is known that in that section of the United States are located the most extensive distilleries of rum from molasses. The spirits, thus produced, interfere, equally with foreign spirits, with the demand for the spirits produced from domestic materials; and, as the committee have proceeded upon the principle in relation to iron, wool, hemp, and flax, that the domestic article where it either exists, or can be produced in sufficient quantities, should be preferred to the foreign, even for the use of our own manufactures, so, in the case of molasses, they propose to supply the same. The committee have no means by which they can even calculate the quantity of grain now annually distilled in the United States, or the quantity produced by such distillation. But they hazard nothing in the assertion that the coarse graine are now grown in these States in sufficient quantities to furnish to them a full supply of ardent spirits; if the demand is in any other manner supplied; and they refer to the testimony which has been given before them, to show, both the present depressed prices of the grain, and of the spirits produced from them, and, also to show that the quantity of these grains may be increased in different sections of the country, to answer any demand, if demand could be created.

With these facts laid before them, the committee have proposed in the bill these reports, to increase the present duty ten cents per gallon upon all foreign spirits imported into the country, and to increase the present duty upon molasses five cents per gallon.

By a reference to the table of domestic exports, it will be seen that a part of the spirits distilled from molasses in this country, is exported, and the law, as now existing, allows, upon these spirits, an export drawback of four cents per gallon. An examination of these tables will show that most of these spirits, so exported, go to the same markets with our domestic spirits distilled from grain; and, with this drawback, operating as a bounty upon their exportations, thus most acccording to the relative values of the two kinds of spirits before exportation, have the advantage, in the foreign market, of the whole duty, both on the spirits from grain, and on the spirits distilled from molasses. The committee have, therefore, proposed a repeal of the provision allowing the drawback.

This subject of glass has also been proposed as a matter of examination before the committee, and two very intelligent witnesses, living in sections of country separated from each other, have been examined in relation to it. A reference to their testimony will show that the present protection on window glass of smaller size than 10 by 14 inches is abundant, and that other descriptions of glass are in the same situation. In this case witnesses, both agree, and they are both practically acquainted with the manufacture of glass, and the committee have proposed an alteration in the present duties upon these sizes of window glass.

The only other material alteration which the committee have proposed in the existing laws regulating our duties on imports, is an increase of the minimum upon cottons, from 30 cents at which it now stands, to 35 cents. The object of this has been to reach a finer description of cotton cloth; and for the evidence upon which they have recommended this alteration, they refer the House to the testimony of the witnesses who have been examined upon the subject of cottons, here forth reported.

List of Acts passed at the late session of the Legislature.

1. An act for the relief of Thomas Wy-
2. An act to organize the county of Hancock.
3. An act to provide for the purchase of stationery for the use of the General Assembly, and also for the public printing.
4. An act supplemental to an act entitled "an act regulating the admission and practice of attorneys and counsellors at law," approved January 31, 1824.

5. An act supplemental to an act to provide for carrying the laws into effect in new counties.
6. An act to amend an act entitled "an act respecting apprentices."
7. An act attaching a portion of vacant territory lying adjoining to the county of York not including the latter part. It Floyd to said county.
8. An act to establish a levee to prevent the road leading from Vincennes in this section of the Union, could so far through the Lower Prairie near the Wabash river.
9. An act respecting the state and county revenue due from the county of Clay for the year 1826.
10. An act supplemental to an act entitled "an act changing the mode of doing county business in certain counties therein named," approved Jan. 26, 1827.
11. An act to establish a canal to connect the navigable waters of the Wabash with the navigable waters of the Miami of Lake Erie.
12. An act relative to the Knox county Seminary.
13. An act supplemental to an act entitled "an act changing the mode of doing county business."
14. An act to amend an act entitled "an act for the benefit of persons who have, or are likely to suffer by the destruction of the records of Dearborn County, which were consumed by fire in the Court House at Lawrenceburgh, on the morning of the 6th of March, 1826," approved Jan. 11, 1827.
15. An act authorizing the leasing of Royce's Luck and Rock Luck reserves in the county of Washington.
16. An act for the removal of the county of Carroll.
17. An act for the benefit of the devisees of Thomas Watts, deceased.
18. An act authorizing the Board of Justices of Wayne county to sell a part of the public square in the town of Centerville.
19. An act to revise an act entitled "an act for the relief of such persons as have suffered or may hereafter suffer by the destruction of the records of the county of Knox, which were consumed by fire at Vincennes in the year 1814," passed Sept. 7th, 1814.
20. An act to amend an act entitled "an act to establish a state library," approved Feb. 11, 1825.
21. An act directing the mode of suing and prosecuting writs of habeas corpus.
22. An act to incorporate the town of Corydon in Harrison county.
23. An act authorizing the inhabitants of congressional township numbered 11, north range 9 west, to incorporate themselves according to the provisions of the act of 1824.
24. An act to provide for the repayment of certain money to the county of Delaware.
25. An act to extend an act entitled "an act to provide for recording brands, and for posting estrays in the counties therein named, and for other purposes," approved Jan. 24, 1827.
26. An act to incorporate the Indiana polis Steam Mill Company.
27. An act providing for the payment of certain monies to the county of Delaware.
28. An act supplementary to an act entitled "an act for the appointment of commissioners from each other, have been examined in relation to it. A reference to their testimony will show that the present protection on window glass of smaller size than 10 by 14 inches is abundant, and that other descriptions of glass are in the same situation. In this case witnesses, both agree, and they are both practically acquainted with the manufacture of glass, and the committee have proposed an alteration in the present duties upon these sizes of window glass."
29. An act to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the town of Charles-town."
30. An act to amend the act concerning the Auditor of public accounts and Treasurer of State.
31. An act for the benefit of Henry Markle.
32. An act to amend the law regulating grist mills and millers.
33. An act to establish a state road from Shelbyville to intersect the Madison state road in the county of Jennings.
34. An act supplemental to the act entitled "an act to establish a Board of Trustees for the promotion of schools and education in Clark's Grant."
35. An act respecting a county seminary, and the seminary fund of the county of Switzerland.
36. An act to incorporate the Montezuma Agricultural and Domestic Manufacturing Association.
37. An act to provide for printing and distributing the laws and journals of the present session.
38. An act to amend an act entitled "an act to regulate the militia of the State of Indiana," approved Jan. 20, 1824.
39. An act to provide for the election of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States.
40. An act to establish a state road from New-Castle in Henry county, to Lafayette in Tippecanoe county.
41. An act legalizing the proceedings of the board of county commissioners in Shelby county.
42. An act for the relief of purchasers of lots in the town of Indianapolis, which have become forfeited to the state.
43. An act for the benefit of Peter Charley, Elijah Hurst, and John Watkins, late Trustees of Congressional township No. 3, in Range 4, east in the Jeffersonville District.
44. An act for the benefit of the Gibson county Seminary.
45. An act relative to limited partnerships.
46. An act for the relief of Caleb Harrison.
47. An act for the relief of Joseph Campbell.
48. An act to establish a state road from Leavenworth via Bono, to Indianapolis.
49. An act to divorce Nancy Maddox from her husband David T. Maddox.
50. An act to locate and open a state road from Crawfordsville in Montgomery county, to Indianapolis.
51. An act to establish a state road from Carlisle in Sullivan county to Spencer in Owen county.
52. An act for the relief of Robert Martin.
53. An act vacating the town of Greenfield in the county of Vigo.
54. An act supplemental to an act declaring Big Blue River a public highway.
55. An act to amend an act entitled "an act amendatory of the law and for the better advancement of justice"—Approved Jan. 20, 1826.
56. An act to amend an act entitled "an act to establish county seminaries in the several counties therein named"—Approved Jan. 26, 1827.
57. An act to amend the several acts regulating the judicial circuits and fixing the times of holding courts.
58. An act to divorce Elizabeth Stout and Reuben Stout.
59. An act to dissolve the Connersville Library Association.
60. An act establishing the boundary line of Decatur county.
61. An act to improve the navigation of certain rivers in this state.
62. An act to incorporate the Indianapolis and White Water Turnpike Company.
63. An act to incorporate the Franklin cotton Manufactory, and the White Water Manufacturing Company.
64. An act to divorce certain persons therein named.
65. An act making general appropriations for the year 1828.
66. An act to provide for the surveying and marking a road from Lake Michigan to Indianapolis.
67. An act to provide for the government of the Seminary of Knox county.
68. An act to attach certain territory to the counties therein named.
69. An act to establish a College in the state of Indiana.
70. An act to authorize the loan of the Seminary fund.
71. An act to enable the inhabitants of the congressional townships of the several counties in this State to express their assent or dissent to the sale of the 16th section in their respective townships.
72. An act to amend an act entitled "an act to establish a state road from Terre Haute to Fort Wayne."
73. An act to authorize persons to retail spirituous liquors without the requisitions of a tavern keepers.
74. An act to authorize the leasing of section 16 in township numbered 15 north of range numbered 7 east in Hancock county, and for other purpose.
75. An act making specific appropriations for the year 1828.
76. An act to establish a state road from Indianapolis via Danville and Rockville to Montezuma.
77. An act to amend the several acts now in force in this state relative to assessing and collecting the revenue.
78. An act for the relief of John Spencer and for other purposes.
79. An act to amend the act entitled "an act providing for the incorporation of towns," approved Jan. 30th 1824.
80. An act for opening and repairing public roads and highways.
81. An act for locating and opening a state road from the river opposite the Yellow Banks in Kentucky, to Princeton.
82. An act for the relief of William Williams and Jesse Gifford.
83. An act to authorize the relocation of the seat of justice of Martin County, and extending the boundaries thereof.
84. An act supplemental to an act en-

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JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

1. Joint resolutions of the General Assembly relative to the purchasers of public lands.
2. A joint resolution respecting the office of the Clerk of the District Court of the United States for the District of Indiana.
3. A joint resolution relative to the procuring of a complete set of Journals of Congress, and other public documents.
4. A joint resolution of the General Assembly relative to the mail route from Louisville, in Kentucky, to St. Louis, in Missouri.
5. A memorial and joint resolution on the subject of the great National Road.
6. A joint resolution relative to the northern boundary of the State of Indiana.
7. A joint resolution to provide the Wabash and Miami Canal Commissioners with a copy of Strickland's Report.
8. A joint resolution and communication of the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, on the subject of connecting the waters of the Wabash river with those of Lake Erie.
9. A joint resolution relative to the navigation of the Wabash river.
10. A joint resolution of the General Assembly.
11. A joint resolution of the General Assembly of the state of Indiana authorizing the Treasurer of state to purchase a book and make certain records therein.
12. A joint resolution respecting certain lots in the town of Indianapolis.
13. A joint resolution requiring certain duties to be performed by the Agent of State for the town of Indianapolis.
14. A joint resolution relative to Internal Improvements and Domestic Manufactures.

AN ACT.

To amend the several acts regulating the Judicial Circuits, and fixing the times of holding Courts therein.

Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,* That the courts in the fifth judicial circuit, shall be held on the following days, to wit: in the county of Hendricks, on the Thursdays next succeeding the second Mondays in February and August; in the county of Morgan, on the third Mondays in February and August; in the county of Bartholomew, on the first Mondays in March and September; in the county of Johnson, on the second Mondays in March and September; in the county of Marion, on the third Mondays in March and September; in the county of Hancock, on the fourth Mondays in March and September; in the county of Shelby, on the Wednesdays next succeeding the courts in the county of Hancock; in the county of Decatur, on the fifth Mondays in March and September; in the county of Rush, on the first Mondays in April and October; in the county of Henry, on the second Mondays in April and October; in the county of Madison, on the Thursdays next succeeding the courts in the county of Henry; in the county of Hamilton, on the third Mondays in April and October. The courts in the counties of Morgan, Monroe, Bartholomew, Johnson, Marion, Decatur, Rush and Hamilton, shall severally sit six days if the business require it; in the county of Shelby, four days, if the business require it; in the counties of Hendricks, Henry and Madison, three days, each, if the business require it; and in the county of Hancock, two days, if the business require it.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the county of Warren be attached to and form a part of the first judicial circuit, and the courts shall sit in said county on the Thursdays succeeding the commencement of the courts in the county of Fountain, and shall continue in session three days at each term, if the business shall require it.

Sec. 3. That the terms of the courts in the county of Tippecanoe, shall be holden on the first Mondays in May and October; in the county of Montgomery, on the Thursdays succeeding the commencement of the courts in Tippecanoe; in the county of Putnam, on the second Mondays of May and October; in the county of Clay, on the Thursdays succeeding the commencement of the courts in Putnam county; in the county of Owen, on the third Mondays of May and October; in the county of Green, on the fourth Mondays of May and October.

Sec. 4. That the circuit courts in the county of Scott, in the second judicial circuit, shall be holden on the first Monday in March, and third Monday in July, and sit six days at each term, if the business require it.

Sec. 5. That the county of Delaware be, and the same is hereby attached to the third judicial circuit, and the courts shall

sit at Muncytown, the seat of justice of said county, on the third Mondays of May and November; and the circuit courts for the county of Allen, shall hereafter sit on the second Mondays of May and November, in each year.

Sec. 6. That the county of Carroll be, and the same is hereby attached to, and shall hereafter form a part of the fifth judicial circuit, and the circuit courts thereof shall be holden on the Thursdays after the first Mondays in May and November in each year, and shall sit three days at each term, if the business require it.

Sec. 7. All suits, pleas, writs, prosecutions and recognizances whatsoever, which by virtue of any law heretofore in force were continued or made returnable to any other day or time, than the days or times herein specified for holding circuit courts, are, hereby continued to, and returnable at the days and times herein named for holding the circuit courts: And all acts and parts of acts contravening the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

This act to take effect and be in force, from and after its publication in the Indianapolis Gazette.

H. H. MOORE Speaker
of the house of representatives.
JOHN H. THOMPSON,
President of the senate.
Approved, January 24, A. D. 1828.
J. BROWN RAY,
Gov. of Ia.

From the Harrisburg Pa. Argus.

PRESIDENTIAL QUESTION.—We are now enabled, from the reception of a large number of letters from persons whose statements may be relied on, to assure our patrons and the public, that the friends of the Administration are secure in the vote of Pennsylvania! They most remember however, that the imperious duty is left to them to perform, which is to be sure to go to the polls and give in their votes. Our friends know we have never before in the habit of giving assurances on this subject nor do we now do it on light grounds, nor, in our opinion, could any man have given it on indubitable grounds, until within one month. We shall shortly bring before the public a statement of the votes of the counties, which will be predicated on the most minute information, and, if we mistake not, will greatly surprise the friends of General Jackson. We say it will surprise them, because many of that party have been deceived. The vision of the great body of them has not extended to the real state of things in this State. A few of their more keen-sighted leaders have for three months been under great alarm, and recently their hezza have approached to convulsive shrieks of madness. If we would allow ourselves to bring to light communications, which might perhaps be confidential, we could show, that some of the leaders here, of what are considered strong Jackson counties, have within one week, expressed despair of their own counties. They know they have reason to do so. And the public shall also soon know that the grounds of our assurance are all-sufficient. In the mean time, we exhort our friends who have the means of doing so, to send information to the people. Exaggerate nothing. Let them see things precisely as they are. They know the interests of the State. The fear that they will be carried away by passionate devotion to military exploits is entirely groundless. Send them information those who can. Leave the cause to their candid decision, and the cause is safe—is ours.

We publish below, as an interesting "Sign of the Times," an extract of a private letter written by a highly intelligent and respectable Jacksonian to his friend. It does honor to the candor of its author, and it is a striking exemplification of the powerful effect which Mr. Clay's vindication is calculated to make on all enlightened and honorable minds.—*L. Virginian.*

"I have read some of Mr. Clay's documentary evidence, and I have read what has more weight with me, Mr. Benton's letter. I discard the technical plea to the former, that they are 'particeps criminis,' and admit it to be clearly proven that he had distinctly declared to his friends, his intention to vote for Adams. It may be said that his friends would not have been in great hazard, had he afterwards changed his purpose, and accepted office under Jackson. Benton's testimony shows that his confidence was not confined to political friends. In the present aspect of the case, I think the nation will ultimately acquit him, though not now. Party spirit is up, and will not be laid till the present contest is over."

LEGHORN FLATS.
8 Cases Leghorn Flats, from No. 19 to 60, a superior article. Also, 20 cases straw bonnets, for sale, by
MUIR & ORMSBY.
Louisville Dec 15 1--11.